

## **Minutes**

Citizen's District Council Meeting  
City of Muskegon CDBG  
Conference Room 203  
Muskegon, Michigan  
April 3, 2018

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Veania Coleman at 5:32 pm.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Roll call was taken by Samantha Pulos-Porter, and a quorum was present.

#### ➤ **Present:**

- ✓ Ken Johnson - Commissioner
- ✓ Veania Coleman
- ✓ Poppy Sias-Hernandez
- ✓ Scott Banninga
- ✓ Kim Burr

#### ➤ **Absent:**

#### ➤ **Excused:**

- ✓ Tom Pastoor
- ✓ Jeremy Lenertz
- ✓ Carrie Johnson

#### ➤ **Staff Present:**

- ✓ Oneata Bailey
- ✓ Samantha Pulos-Porter

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the minutes, by Poppy Sias-Hernandez, from February 6, 2018; Scott Banninga seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Johnson expressed his satisfaction with raising the AMI Limit from 60% to 80%.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Annual Action Plan for 2018 was discussed. A copy of the previously submitted Action Plan from 2017 was shared with CDC members as an example of what 2018 may look like. Oneata reported that budget talks with the department heads will be happening in the month of April. The City Manager will also discuss budget details and any changes will be included in the 2018 Action Plan. Oneata also reported that at a federal level, our CDBG program was signed for to continue. She also discussed that our Action Plan is a regional plan with Muskegon Heights and Norton Shores because for the most part, we have similar activities that we provide in our communities. Changes will be made at the May CDC meeting based on any comments received. Official amounts for the next program year will be provided to us by HUD and included in the plan to be submitted. There was discussion about incorporating youth programs into the budget.

Also discussed: 2018 Income Limits have also been released by HUD. There was an increase from the 2017 amounts. The decision by the CDC to raise the income limits used for CNS' programs was raised from 60% to 80% of the AMI and has been a positive change within the department.

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

- **1350 Eastwood Drive**  
An offer was received. The potential buyer was over income and did not qualify.
- **Homebuyer's Assistance Program**  
There will be minor changes made to the program. Homes purchased with FHA loans will not require an additional inspection in order to receive the grant. The lenders and realtors that have participated in the past were invited to discuss the program at City Hall.

## **ADJOURN:**

Scott Banninga motioned to adjourn the meeting, Poppy Sias-Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting date is: May 1, 2018.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Lead testing and issues, including acceptable levels were discussed. The County losing their lead grant and the lack of certified painters in the area were also discussed.